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Hearing: "The Need for CFIUS Reform to Address Homeland Security Concerns"

WHO: Full Committee on Homeland Security

Chairman Peter T. King (R-NY)

WHEN: 1:00 pm, Wednesday, May 24, 2006

WHERE: 311 Cannon House Office Building

WITNESSES

PANEL I

Mr. Clay Lowery

Assistant Secretary for International Affairs Department of the Treasury

Mr. Stewart Baker

Assistant Secretary for Policy, Planning, and International Affairs Department of Homeland Security

PANEL II

Ms. Daniella Markheim

Jay Van Andel Senior Analyst in Trade Policy Center for International Trade and Economics The Heritage Foundation

Mr. Stuart Eizenstat

Partner
Covington & Burling
Former Deputy Secretary of the Treasury

PANEL III

Majority Whip Roy Blunt Member of Congress (MO-7)

The Honorable John Barrow Member of Congress (GA-12)

BACKGROUND

Chairman Peter T. King (R-NY) will convene a full Committee hearing to review the Committee on Foreign Investment in the United States (CFIUS) approval process and ensure that future CFIUS reviews and investigations adequately address homeland security concerns. The possibility of restructuring CFIUS garnered national attention from the controversy surrounding the Dubai Ports World (DPW) acquisition of Peninsular and Oriental Navigation (P&O) that came to a head in February 2006. The committee will hear from three panels of witnesses, including Department of Treasury Assistant Secretary for International Affairs Clay Lowery, Department of Homeland Security Assistant Secretary for Policy Stewart Baker, and Former Deputy Secretary of the Treasury Stuart Eizenstat. The Committee will also take testimony from Majority Whip Roy Blunt and Congressman John Barrow who have proposed legislation that would significantly change the CFIUS review process.